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- 11. (U) This cable responds to the action request in reftel requesting human rights vetting for the candidates nominated to attend the SQUADRON OFFICER SCHOOL in MAXWELL AIR FORCE BASE, AL, U.S.A. from 12/29/2009 to 2/20/2010.
- ¶2. (U) The Department of State has vetted the individuals listed in reftel and possesses no credible derogatory information as of 12/17/2009. Post is authorized to include the following individuals in USG-funded training:

CLIRIM PLAKU, CPT, AIR FORCE, 2/14/1975 ERVIN BUZI, CPT, AIR FORCE, 7/12/1981

- 13. (U) Post is permitted to provide the following statement to authorized parties: Embassy verifies that the Department of State possesses no credible information of gross violations of human rights by the individuals identified above, as of 12/17/2009. Post may cite this cable in response.
- 14. (U) Note that if Post subsequently becomes aware of possible human rights violations by the individuals listed above, Post should inform the Department and not proceed with training. Post should refer to the Leahy Vetting guidance manual for additional assistance. CLINTON